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"HE WHO DISCLOSES HIS HARDSHIP WILL ALWAYS BE HUMILIATED."

— HAZRAT ALI (A.S.)

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German quartet plays delightful jazz music at Culture Fest

By Peerzada Salman

KARACHI: Jazz musicians are known for their improvisational skills. The more creative they are with this particular aspect of creativity on stage, the more effective and beautiful they sound. Germany's jazz group Eva Klesse Quartet entertained music lovers and massively impressed them with their skills as musicians at the World Culture Festival on Tuesday evening.

The band has thus far released six albums — *Xenon* (2014), *Obenland* (2016), *Miniatures* (2018), *Creatures and States* (2020), *Songs against Loneliness* (2022) and *Stimmen* (2024). On Tuesday evening they played their own compositions.

The first one was called 'You and Me'. It beautifully set the tone for what was to come. The clean drum rolls and the mellifluous sound of the piano, not to mention the bass and the saxophone that complemented them exceedingly well, spoke volumes for the compositional talent that the band has.

Addressing the audience after the first track, leader of the band Eva Klesse thanked the Arts Council and the Goethe Institut for helping the band come to Pakistan. She then told the guests that the second number they were going to play was called 'Ghosts'.

She said, "We in Germany believe that every ship has a ghost. You cannot see it. But if you see it, then the ship is going to sink." And the track did, through eerie sounds and thumping drum beats, gave off the vibes of a ghost-infested ship.

Their show was liked by the audience for multiple reasons, foremost of which was the instrumentalists love for what they do, that is, the four were totally absorbed in their performance, as a result of which the riffs and rhythm patterns that they were producing warmed the hearts of the listeners and helped them realise the therapeutic power of music.

Eva Klesse is a drummer. She played the drums on Tuesday with masterful control and discipline, leading the band like a leader should. The saxophonist, the pianist and the bassist were equally good, improvising like a smart actor richly adding to the lines and mannerism mentioned in the screenplay.

GERMAN musicians perform at the World Culture Festival.—Fahim Siddiqi / White Star

Murad vows rapid completion of K-IV project

- Says KWSC directed to 'strictly follow' scheduled timeline
- Urges citizens' cooperation as University Road to remain closed for pipeline lying

By Our Staff Reporter

KARACHI: Sindh Chief Minister Syed Murad Ali Shah on Monday said that the Greater Karachi Bulk Water Supply Scheme, also known as the K-IV Project, will be completed rapidly as the Karachi Water and Sewerage Corporation (KWSC) has been directed to adhere strictly to the scheduled timeline.

The K-IV project, designed to provide a sustainable supply of an additional 650 million gallons per day (MGD) of water to the city in three phases, is being jointly executed by the Sindh and federal governments, with the Water and Power Development Authority (Wapda) currently being responsible for implementing Phase I, aimed at supplying 260 MGD to the city.

The construction under the K-IV project continues from Aziz Bhatti Park to Federal Urdu University of Art, Science and Technology, with a 300-meter section currently closed, causing severe traffic jams in the neighbourhoods.

Once the section between Aziz Bhatti Park and the Urdu varsity is completed, the road will be restored and work will proceed to the next phase. Water pipelines of 9.6 and 7.2 inch diameter are being installed from Aziz Bhatti Park to Hussain Square, which will meet the growing needs of the city in the future.

The pipeline will extend from the water filtration plant under construction in Bahria Town to Gulbai. Due to road closure from Aziz Bhatti Park to Urdu University, traffic disruption is expected.

In a statement issued from the Chief Minister House, the chief minister said that the work on the Red Line project was also ongoing; therefore, the water pipeline under K-IV was being laid in advance along this route to avoid repeated digging.

He said that the Sindh government "apologises" for any inconvenience caused by ongoing development work and renewed its commitment to transforming Karachi into a modern city equipped with adequate facilities.

Mr Shah said that providing clean and ample water to the people of Karachi is the top priority of the Sindh government. He directed the provision of alternative routes for the public during the closure.

He instructed the traffic police to guide citizens and ensure smooth traffic flow, especially during peak morning and evening hours. "Traffic police deployment in the area must ensure public convenience," he said.

The chief minister stressed that public convenience must be ensured throughout the project. He also urged citizens to cooperate by using alternative routes.

Sindh govt orders inspection of private schools to ensure compliance of freeship law

By Tahir Siddiqui

KARACHI: The Sindh government on Tuesday instructed the school education and literacy department to carry out within three months a thorough audit and inspection of private schools across the province to verify if they were providing free education to the required 10 per cent of enrolled students.

The directive came following the order of the Sindh High Court on a set of constitutional petitions seeking implementation of the statutory 10 per cent freeship to the disadvantaged students under Section 10 in Chapter IV of the Sindh Right of Free and Compulsory Education Act 2013.

In a letter to the regional directorates of inspection and registration of private schools in Karachi, Hyderabad, Mirpurkhas, Shaheed Benazirabad, Sukkur and Larkana, the education department asked them to conduct the audit of private schools through the already constituted district-wise committees.

Sources said that a detailed compliance report would be submitted to the SHC additional registrar within four months, indicating the schools found in violation of the law and action initiated against them.

They said the registration of the private school would be suspended or cancelled in accordance with Section 12 of the Act in case it failed to comply with the mandatory provision of providing free education to the requisite 10 per cent of the enrolled students.

The SHC bench at Sukkur on Monday ordered on the petitions for comprehensive audit and inspection of all registered private schools in the province.

The SHC order said: "Once again, the concerned officials, who have already been ordered by this court for compliance, are directed to make compliance and furnish such reports on the next date of hearing. It is made clear that all the directors of six regions be in attendance on the next days of hearing and also to explain to why they have not complied with the Sindh Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2013 and orders passed by the court."

The sources said the audit data shall be precisely examined and verified according to the attached checklist.

Karachi World Book Fair next month

By Our Staff Reporter

KARACHI: The Karachi World Book Fair (KWBF) 2025 will be held at the city Expo Centre from Dec 18 to 22.

This was announced at a press conference called by the organisers of the event at the Karachi Press Club on Monday.

According to chairman of the Pakistan Publishers and Booksellers Association (PPBA), Kamran Noorani, the KWBF has become a landmark event in Pakistan's cultural and educational landscape.

"It brings together readers, authors and institutions under one roof to celebrate the power of books and knowledge," he said.

Meanwhile, the secretary general of the PPBA, Waqar Mateen Khan, who is also the convener of the fair, informed media that 85 per cent of the exhibition space has already been booked.

"This year we are expecting over 500,000 visitors to the fair," he said, adding that they appreciate the continued enthusiasm from publishers, institutions and the book reading community.

"It reflects the fair's growing stature as one of Pakistan's most anticipated annual cultural events," he said.

PPBA's Vice Chairman Nadeem Mazhar highlighted that the National Book Foundation (NBF), along with several other government organisations, is also extending its full support to the KWBF. He praised the regional director of the NBF for his active collaboration and efforts to promote literacy and access to books nationwide.

"The event management partner of the Karachi World Book Fair, Event and Conference, is handling all logistical, venue and exhibition arrangements," its Director, Rashid-ul-Haque, said, expressing his satisfaction with the coordination between the PPBA team and participating exhibitors.

He shared that preparations are well on track to deliver a highly organised and visitor-friendly book fair experience in December.

Chairman of the Urdu Bazar Traders Association, Sajid Yousuf, also expressed solidarity with the PPBA while assuring active participation of Urdu Bazaar publishers and booksellers in making this year's fair a resounding success.

The press conference was attended by managing director of Lightstone Publishers, Ameena Saiyid; NBF's Regional Director, Fayyaz Ali Awan; Iqbal Saleh Mohammad of Paramount Books; Saleem Abdul Hussain of Liberty Books; Ahsan Jaffery of Say Publishers; and Muhammad Iqbal Ghaziani, Syed Nasir Hussain and Nadeem Akhtar of the PPBA.

Teachers' Forum wins key posts in Kuts election

By Our Staff Reporter

KARACHI: The Karachi University Teachers' Forum (KUTF) won key positions in the 2025-2026 Karachi University Teachers' Society (Kuts) elections held on Tuesday.

A total of 508 voters cast their votes during the annual election, which was held in the Chinese Teachers Memorial Auditorium.

Syed Ghufran Alam of KUTF was elected as president with 272 votes, while Dr Mohsin Ali of the Teachers' Alliance for Good Governance (TAGG) received 229 votes for the same position.

Dr Nida Ali of TAGG was elected as vice president by securing 281 votes. Her opponent, Dr Shumaila Samad Khan of KUTF, received 212 votes.

Dr Maroof Bin Rauf, representing TAGG, bagged 268 votes and won the secretary's post, while Dr Farrukh Rafiq Ahmed of KUTF got 229 votes.

Dr Uzma Ashiq of KUTF won the treasurer's post by securing 257 votes, while TAGG's candidate, Dr Faisal Awan, received 235 votes.

The candidates of KUTF, Dr Taha Bin Niaz and Dr Zeeshan Iqbal, won the positions of joint secretaries by getting 293 and 249 votes, respectively, while Dr Asif Raza Khan of KUTF got 227 votes and another KUTF candidate, Dr Tehseen Ahmed, received 199 votes for the same position.

A total of 16 candidates were elected to the executive council.

E-challan system enforcement

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against people of Karachi. In Punjab, the petitioners submitted, similar traffic violations under the e-challan system has attracted comparatively nominal penalties demonstrating that effective enforcement can be achieved without excessive financial burden.

Earlier, the same bench had put the respondents and advocate general of Sindh on notice on two other petitions filed by the Jamaat-i-Islami's city chief Monem Zafar Khan along with two other leaders and Syed Johar Abbas Rizvi, a resident of Karachi.

They also submitted that the Al-based e-challan system was implemented in Karachi without ensuring necessary road infrastructure, vehicle ownership verification mechanism and installation of proper speed limit and other essential traffic signboards.

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NOTICE INVITING TENDER (NIT)

(Single Stage - One Envelope Procedure)
As per SPPRA Rules, 2010 (Amended up to date)
Under E-Procurement Submission (EPADS) System

The Karachi Zoo, Recreation, Karachi Metropolitan Corporation invites sealed bids through **Single Stage - One Envelope Procedure** from interested and eligible bidders, registered with relevant tax authorities and active on the **SPPRA's E-Procurement (EPADS)** platform, for the following work/supply/service:

Sr. No.	Name of Work / Item Description	Estimated Cost (Rs.)	Bid Security	Tender Fee (Rs.)	Completion Period
1.	Supply of Daily Dietary Articles to The Animals of Karachi Zoo, Recreation, KMC for the year 2025- 2026.	Offer Rate	2% of the bid Amount	Rs. 5,000/-	12 Months
2.	Supply of Monthly Dietary Articles to the Animals of Karachi Zoo, Recreation, KMC for the year 2025- 2026.	Offer Rate	2% of the bid Amount	Rs. 5,000/-	12 Months

2. Eligibility Criteria
a) Valid registration with **Income Tax, Sales Tax** (and **SRB**, if applicable).
b) Active registration on **SPPRA's EPADS (E-Procurement System).**
c) Relevant experience in similar works/supplies/services.
d) Affidavit confirming that the firm is not blacklisted by any procuring agency

3. Bidding Procedure
i. The procurement shall be conduct under **Single Stage - One Envelope Procedure** as per **Rule 46(1)** of the **SPP Rules, 2010 (Amended).**
ii. Bidders are required to submit **Technical and Financial Proposals in a single envelope** through **EPADS (E-Procurement Portal).**

4. Bid Submission & Opening
a. **Bidding Documents** are available online at: https://eproc.pprasindh.gov.pk.
b. **Last date for online submission of bids:** 15/12/2025 at 2:00 PM (PST).
c. **Date of opening of bids** (online via EPADS): 15/12/2025 at 2:30 PM (PST).
d. Bids shall be opened electronically in presence of the bidders (or their authorized representatives) through EPADS system at the same time and date.

5. Bid Security
Bid Security must be submitted as per requirements mentioned in the bidding documents, in the form of **Pay Order / Bank Draft / Call Deposit** in favor of **Karachi Metropolitan Corporation,** amounting to **2% of Bid Amount or Fixed Amount,** and uploaded in EPADS system as per guidelines.

6. Procuring Agency's Rights
1. The Procuring Agency reserves the right to reject any or all bids as per Rule 25 of the **SPP Rules, 2010 (Amended).**
2. Incomplete or late bids will not be accepted.

7. Important Notes
i. All documents must be uploaded/submitted **electronically** through the **SPPRA's EPADS** system only.
ii. Physical submission of bids is **not permitted**.
iii. Queries may be sent through EPADS message board before the deadline for clarification.
iv. Supply is required for 12 months commencing the date of placement of order.

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CORRIGENDUM

This office NIT TC/G-55/559 Dated: 20/10/25, Published in Daily Dawn. Daily Sachal. Awami Awaz on 22/10/2025 and SSPRA / PPMS website@NIT ID No,T00591-25-0006 dated: -20-10-2025 is hereby extended.

It is further stated that this office update Bidding Document, due to some changes like eligibility criteria upon marks/score. It can be uploaded from PPMS website. In the following manner: -

Condition/Eligibility at Sr. No. (12) & (13) to be read as:

(12) Bio data of Engineering and Technical staff working with the firm along with Attested CVs and their Income Tax Deduction showing employment with the firm (Last 6 Month). Civil & Electrical Engineers employment with the firm along with same reflected in PEC License (Mandatory).

(13) The firm must have at least 10% of the tender bid amount available in its bank account on the date of tender notice publication.

1st date of Issue
1st attempt date of issuance Bidding Documents from 10-11-2025 to 24-11-2025

Date Submission & Opening
25-11-2025 received up to 9:15 A.M and Opened on same day @9:30 A.M.

2nd date of Issue
2nd attempt date of issuance Bidding Documents from **26-11-2025 to 10-12-2025**

Date Submission & Opening
11-12-2025 received up to 9:15 A.M Opened on same day 9:30 A.M.

The other terms and conditions will remain the same

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2۔ نیلامی کے روز تمام بولی دہندگان کو مبلغ -/1000 روپے فی کس فیس ادا کرنی ہوگی اور CNIC (اصل) ہمراہ لانا ہوگا۔
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5۔ ڈائریکٹر جنرل پاکستان میری ٹائم سیکورٹی ایجنسی PPRA Rule 33(i) 2004 کے تحت کسی بھی بولی کو مسترد یا کسی بھی سامان کی نیلامی کو روکنے کے مجاز ہیں۔
6۔ میرین میکینیکل الیکٹرونکس مشینری اور دیگر عام استعمال کے آئٹمز کا معائنہ 24، 25 اور 26 نومبر 2025 کو مذکورہ دفتری اوقات بوقت 09:00 سے 01:00 بجے مندرجہ بالا پتہ پر کیا جاسکتا ہے۔

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